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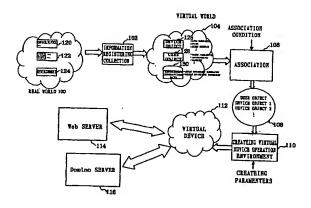
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(57) Abstract: The present invention provides a service providing device and a service providing method enabling a user to accept the service by utilizing the capabilities of several various devices. An available physical device or a combination of the physical devices is selected for the user based on the service requirement, and the user accepts the service via the selected physical device or the combination of the physical devices. The invention "hides" the physical devices by using a virtual device to provide the service for users. Furthermore, the invention provides a "tailored" virtual device based on the environment around the user, the favorite of user and the requirements of the service, and therefore the invention may provide to the user the "tailored" information suitable for the user. The operating environment of the virtual device according to the invention is dynamically changeable according to the environment around the user, the favorite of user and the requirements of the service, and therefore a seamless service may be provided to the user.

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